

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Jul 58		2. LOCATION E of Ascension Island		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 02/2115Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Shipboard <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Steamship African Planet		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not given		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE W to East	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A bright red missile which disintegrated in mid air.				11. COMMENTS Probably a bolide.	

Multi

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The following was extracted from the Staff Duty Officer's Report dated 5 Jul 58:

0905-Called Col Carter in Washington, used 330-99. The Msg was: at 02 2115Z Steamship African Planet reported a Bright Red Missile Traveling from West to East which disintegrated in mid air. SS African Planet was at 000 20'S and 000 25' W. Col Carter said msg apparently came originally from Navy and was relayed to Intell by Command Post, also a check with Partick should range shot down. Relayed to Capt Gregory.

Staff Duty Officer was Capt Anderson

Clues!

E. OF ASCENSION ISLAND

- ① Insufficient info. upon which to base a firm conclusion or initiate any detailed study.
- ② However, on basis of hundreds of similar UFO reports - object apparently was a speck of meteorite (now quite common i.e. Earth, going through PERSEID meteoric shower) known as "bolides" or fireballs.
- ③ See Dr. Oliver's report on bolides. Almost word-for-word description.

ASTRO - BOLIDE

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